

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING AUGUST 28, 2001

The Hall County Board of Supervisors met from adjourned session and by published call August 28, 2001 in the county board meeting room, 121 South Pine, Grand Island, Nebraska at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Richard Hartman

ROLL CALL: Present on roll call were Scott Arnold, Richard Hartman, Bob Humiston, Jim Eriksen Bud Jeffries, Pamela Lancaster, and Lonnie Logan.

Bud Jeffries sang "Happy Birthday" to Chairman Dick Hartman.

Lancaster made a motion and Logan seconded to approve the following by consent agenda:

1. Approve the minutes of the August 14th meeting
2. 2a Authorize the chair to sign the subdivision Plat for Luzenac Property
3. 5a Accept and place on file the Hall County Public Works Department Annual Report
4. 5b Accept the Public Works Committee recommendation to set the bid opening on asphalt projects for September 24, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.
5. 5c Accept the Public Works Committee recommendation to set the bid opening for concrete projects for October 9, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.
6. 12 Approve the resolutions for the allocation of levy authority:

Resolution #01-0048 Final Allocation of Levy Authority for the Hall County Airport Authority

Resolution #01-0049 Final Allocation of Levy Authority for the Hall County Agricultural Society

Resolution #01-0050 Final Allocation of Levy Authority for the Grand Island Suburban Fire District #3

Resolution #01-0051 Final Allocation of Levy Authority for the Wood River Fire District #2

Resolution #01-0052 Final Allocation of Levy Authority for the Cairo Rural Fire District #5

Resolution #01-0053 Final Allocation of Levy Authority for the Shelton Fire District #3

Resolution #01-0054 Final Allocation of Levy Authority for the Doniphan Fire District #6

7. Accept and place on file the office reports from the Clerk of the District Court and Hall County Sheriff

8. Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts

9. Accept and place on file communications as received

Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

OFFICE REPORT CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT JULY 2001

FEES & INTEREST ON ACT #2-200-4	\$3,485.54
INTEREST EARNED ON ACT #114-0090191	1.63
INTEREST EARNED ON ACT #7-396-2 JUNE	60.50
INTEREST EARNED ON ACT #7-396-2 JULY	56.29

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF
APRIL, MAY JUNE 2001

COPIES	201.50
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	145.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	10,030.00

RESOLUTION #01 – 0048
A RESOLUTION DETERMINING A FINAL ALLOCATION OF LEVY AUTHORITY FOR THE
HALL COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Hall County Board of Supervisors is in receipt of a preliminary request of levy allocation submitted by the Hall County Airport Authority, hereinafter referred to as "District," requesting an allocation of levy in the amount of General \$388,093.00 for the fiscal year 2001 – 2002, and

WHEREAS, the Hall County Board of Supervisors has considered the aforesaid preliminary levy request and determined that a final allocation of levy authority should be made and established for the District.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, a final allocation of levy authority in the amount of General \$388,093.00 is hereby determined, made and established for the District for the fiscal year 2001 – 2002.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, the Hall County Clerk shall forward a copy of the Resolution to the Chairperson of the governing body of the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____

Resolution moved by Supervisor _____

Seconded by Supervisor _____

VOTE:

Scott Arnold	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Richard Hartman	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Bob Humiston	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
William P. Jeffries	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Pamela Lancaster	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Jim Eriksen	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.
Lonnie Logan	For____; Against____; Abstained____; Not Present____.

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Richard Hartman, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk

1a ELECTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION VACANCY OF ELECTION COMMISSIONER EXECUTIVE SESSION: Eriksen made a motion and Lancaster seconded to go into executive session for personal and discussion on the election commissioner. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

9:10 a.m. executive session personal

9:25 a.m. completed executive session on personal

9:26 a.m. executive session on election commissioner

9:40 a.m. Arnold made a motion and Lancaster seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Arnold made a motion and Lancaster seconded to appoint Dale Baker as the Hall County Election Commissioner. Arnold, Eriksen, Jeffries and Lancaster all voted yes and Hartman, Humiston and Logan voted no. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Hartman called for public participation and Gary Quandt requested to speak to the board. He expressed his concern on the procedure used to make appointments to boards and county offices. He encouraged all of the board members to set in on the interviews as a full board and not just use a committee to make appointments. He stated he hope the board members do not rubberstamp appointments to other boards.

Louise Miller 1004 West Charles requested to speak to the board. She expressed her concern on the number of government employees in the state of Nebraska. She stated Nebraska has the highest number of government employees per person in the nation.

6 APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ILLINOIS PCS: The public hearing on this conditional use permit was held and this is the resolution for the permit. Jeffries stated that he wanted to make sure that the permit was for five years and this is what the resolution states. Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve Resolution #01-0055 For The Conditional Use Permit for Illinois PCS Wireless, Inc. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

4a 10:00 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING ON RAILROAD CROSSING PROJECTS TO CLOSE ROADS: Jeffries made a motion and Lancaster seconded to open the public hearing. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Chairman Hartman called for public participation. Jeffries stated that the Public Works Committee met with the Department of Roads and the Railroad and they will pay the county \$5,000.00 per crossing to close the roads. At the 60th and 190th crossings, lights and arms will be installed and the crossing on Wildwood and Schimmer will be closed. Hartman stated that Mike O'Neill stated that a turn around would help on the crossings that are to be closed and Jeffries stated that this would not be a problem.

Jeff Schimmer was present and stated he did not have a problem with the closing the crossings.

Denise and Clarence O'Neill were also present and stated they were in agreement with the proposed closings.

Logan made a motion and Humiston seconded to close the public hearing. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried. The resolutions will be prepared later.

4b 10:30 a.m. PUBLIC HEARING ON E-911 SURCHARGE: Arnold stated will this will have to be tabled because when the public hearing was set, it did not allow enough time to advertise the hearing according to the state statute. He stated that in November he wants to set the public hearing for next year.

7b DISCUSS JUVENILE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE: Scott Arnold stated that Hall County has the opportunity to apply for a juvenile services planning grant to update the juvenile comprehensive plan and he wanted to know the status of the application. During a budget work-study session Mick Klein, with Mid-Plains, was contacted concerning this grant application and was encouraged to apply. Pam Lancaster, Lonnie Logan and Scott Arnold are on the juvenile justice committee and they have not received any communication on this and the committee would like to make sure that Hall County is involved in this project. This is a countywide juvenile study and other county representatives need to be involved. County Clerk Marla Conley stated that her office received a copy of the grant application and she will supply a copy to the committee. The application was signed and sent in.

8 DISCUSS KENO ALLOCATIONS TO FAMILY VIOLENCE COALITION: Hartman stated that the Family Violence Coalition receives keno dollars and he would like to wait on the distribution of the funds until the audit is completed. He expressed concern on the members that are on the Family Violence Coalition board. Lancaster stated that she did not have a problem waiting on the distribution of the funds but their board is in the process of doing an audit now. Eriksen made a motion and Lancaster seconded to hold the keno funds for Family Violence Coalition until October. Discussion was held and the keno funds are not distributed until the agreements are signed and these agreements are usually not completed until October. Eriksen withdrew his motion and Lancaster withdrew her second because the agreement has not been prepared.

9 DISCUSS DRAINAGE ISSUE RELATIVE TO AIRPORT: Airport Director Bill Stovall was present and he stated that the Airport Authority Board met this morning and the board approved three resolutions. The first resolution provides that the Airport Authority will contribute \$5,000.00 to address the drainage problem at the airport. They will be contacting other governmental agencies requesting support for this project and are requesting that Hall County contribute \$5,000.00 for this project. They are applying for an EDC grant and Merrick County has agreed to jointly apply for the grant. Hartman expressed his concern on where and how the water is going to be piped to the Platte River and if this was the best way to go. He also stated that there is to be a meeting September 10 on this drainage problem. Eriksen questioned if Mr. Stovall has contacted Central Platte Natural Resource District on this problem and Mr. Stovall stated that all they indicated that they could do was to clean out the Wood River Warm Slough. Lancaster questioned if the water could be piped north of the airport and Mr. Stovall stated that if this were done there would be litigation. Discussion was held and the board will wait until the September 10th meeting and address this issue again.

Mr. Stovall also stated that the Airport Authority board approved a resolution requesting that the airport employees be included on the county's self-funded insurance program. The airport now has private insurance and they are not able to provide the coverage that they want to the employees. Hartman stated that this has been discussed before because the Museum wanted to be part of the county's plan but they could not because of the reinsurance contract. Hartman stated that the county would check on this matter and let him know.

10 DISCUSS AND APPROVE APPLICATION FOR CONTINUED FEDERAL FUNDING FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Emergency Management Director Howard Maxon was present and he is requesting that the county board consider approval of the application for the federal funding. This funding provides for 50% of the administrative costs of the emergency management director's salary. Logan made a motion and Lancaster seconded to authorize the chair to sign the application. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

11 COMMENCE AUDIT OF MONTHLY CLAIMS: The board reviewed the claims. Jeffries made a motion and Logan seconded to approve the claims as audited and authorize the clerk to pay. Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no with Arnold absent for the vote. Motion carried.

4c 11:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR SOUTHERN PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT: Jeffries made a motion and Eriksen seconded to open the public hearing. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Chairman Hartman called for public response. A representative from South Public Power District was present to answer any questions. This is a request for power lines to be placed on section lines near Prosser. Max Boersen stated that the property owners were contacted and there were no complaints. Jeffries stated that conditional use committee met to review this request and they recommended approving the permit for an undetermined length of time. This is the normal procedure for requests for power lines.

Jeffries made a motion and Logan seconded to close the public hearing. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

The resolution will be prepared for the next meeting.

4d 11:10 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ALLTEL:
Jeffries made a motion and Logan seconded to open the public hearing for Alltel. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Chairman Hartman called for public response.

Jeffries stated that this is an existing tower located by Shelton and this is just a renewal of the permit. The permit was for five-years and the committee recommends to renew it for ten-years.

Logan made a motion and Humiston seconded to close the public hearing. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

Jeffries made a motion and Logan seconded to approve the renewal of the conditional use permit for Alltel. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

7a DISCUSS AND APPROVE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT TO GIS OVERSITE COMMITTEE AND ASSESSOR STUDY COMMITTEE: At the last meeting discussion was held on making appointments to these two committees. Hartman appointed Bob Humiston as the chair and Lonnie Logan to the GIS oversight committee. He appointed Jim Eriksen and Pamela Lancaster and himself as chair to the assessor study committee. Jeffries made a motion and Logan seconded to approve the committee appointments. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Jeffries, Lancaster and Logan all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

COUNTY BOARD ASSISTANT REPORT: County Board Assistant Stacey Ruzicka provided her progress report. She reminded them of the building and grounds committee meeting.

BOARD MEMBER'S REPORTS: Logan – He attended the budget work-study session, the safety committee meeting and the ADA committee meeting. He also attended a long-range planning meeting.

Jeffries – He attended the public works committee meeting and they gave their recommendation for the bid openings. He also attended a reuse committee meeting.

Lancaster – She attended the Convention Visitors Bureau meeting, a Head Start meeting and an election committee meeting. She reported that Workforce Development made a video of the Hall County One Stop Office and they are using it to demonstrate how this program works.

Eriksen – He attended the Health Board meeting and the county government day meeting. He reported that County Government Day will be November 20th and the agenda for the day will be about the same. Jeffries stated that at County Government Day there will be a presentation to the American Legion.

Humiston – He attended the budget work-study session, the county government day committee meeting and the Economic Development meeting.

Arnold – He attended the computer committee meeting and the Head Start meeting. He reported that Will Bennett and Dave Arnold attended the Spillman conference and after completion of the training they were tested. Only five of the people attending passed the test and Will Bennett and Dave Arnold were two of the five who passed the test.

Hartman – He attended CNCS and several other meetings.

NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Chairman Hartman called for new or unfinished business and no one responded.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. The next meeting will be September 11, 2001 at 9:00 a.m.

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk

REMINDER: The County Board meetings may be viewed on GITV Cable Channel 6 and UHF Channel 56 Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. and Friday at 8:00 a.m.

